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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, REPORTS AND ESTIMATES
Attention: Mr. James M. Lay

Subject: NIR -

1. Inclosed herewith is a copy of the reply to our memo of 16 July 1947, same subject, received from the Director of Intelligence, WDGS.

2. While every effort should be made to comply with the agencies' suggested changes and additions, it appears that they have failed to keep in mind the basic purpose of NIR's. It should be borne in mind that the NIR series is intended to furnish the answer to the question, "What fundamental short-range questions is it necessary to answer, prior to the formulation of U. S. National policy?"

3. It is suggested that OIE endeavor, through its normal liaison channels to impress the agencies with the "national" and "short-range" aspects of the NIR.

DONALD WHELAN
Chief, ICAPS

Inclosure:

Memo to Secretary, WEA
dtd 22 July 1947 from
IC, WDGS, same subject.

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cc: Central Files

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(Original Memo
from J. P. [unclear]
sent to OIE [unclear])

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